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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated April 21, 2005. Please note that the period for response has been extended until September 21, 2005 by the accompanying Petition and fee. Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.